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Mr Muge Erturk

Sent by email to: <ask+request-7461-d02d90a6@asktheeu.org >

Subject: Request for Access to Document (No. 09344)

Dear Mr Muge Erturk,

Reference is made to your e-mail dated 17 November 2019, in which you submitted a request for access to documents containing the following information:

- The age, education background, gender statistics and the reason of rejection of asylum or other reasons of deported people from each EU member state since 2015;
- the age, education background, gender statistics for accepted asylum seekers and resettled refugees (since 2015);
- the interview questions that are asked during interviews.

Your request for access to documents (No. 09344) has been treated as one falling under the provisions of Regulation No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents, which also applies to EASO documents, and in accordance with Decision No 6 laying down practical arrangements regarding public access to the documents of EASO, as adopted by its Management Board on 20 September 2011.

Your request was examined and consulted with the EASO's Department of Operations and Department of Asylum Support, in particular Asylum Processes Sector and Research Sector. As a result of this procedure, please find below the following communication:





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EASO does not possess any document or/and information summarising the age, educational background, gender of persons subjected to rejections and / or deportations related to their asylum processes. The same applies to the above mentioned statistical data related to positive decisions and / or resettlement. The <u>Latest Asylum Trends</u> provides information on positive decisions, however not the reasons or statistical data, as they are not related to the asylum process and EASO does not collect information in this regard.

You may wish to note, that Eurostat publishes data on numbers of decisions, outcomes by age and gender. You are invited to consult them (first instance decisions on applications by citizenship, age and sex: annual aggregated data) on the following link: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/statistics-explained/index.php/Asylum statistics#Decisions on asylum applications">https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/statistics-explained/index.php/Asylum statistics#Decisions on asylum applications</a>

You might be also interested to consult the <u>Annual Report on the Situation of Asylum in the EU 2018</u>, which provides a comprehensive overview of asylum-related developments in the areas of legislation, policy and practice both at an EU level and at the level of national asylum systems. In addition to this resource, you may also find of relevance of your interest the <u>EASO Country of Origin Information (COI) Portal</u>, where you will be able to find comprehensive information on the situation in countries from which asylum seekers originate.

General information on the type of questions that are being asked during an asylum interview can be found in the <u>EASO Practical Guide</u>: <u>Personal Interview</u>.

In case of your further interest in the Migration related data and trends measurement across Europe, you might wish to consult Clandestino Project.

We thank you for your interest in <u>EASO</u>. We believe that access to and consultation of the above-mentioned links will provide you with sufficient information of relevance to your interest. In the meantime, we remain at your disposal in case of any further clarification is required.

If you require this position to be reviewed, you should write to EASO at the address below, confirming your initial request. Your confirmatory request should be sent within 15 working days from receipt of this letter. We will inform you of the result of this review within 15 working days from the registration of your request, either granting you access to the document or confirming the refusal. In the latter case, you will be informed of how you can take further action. All correspondence should be sent by one of the following methods:



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Yours sincerely,

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**EASO Executive Director**